GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS TO IITS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various IITs have requested the Government for release of more funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for fund crunch in the IITs;and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to assist the IITs in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) are given grants towards Non-Plan/recurring expenditure under a Block Grant Scheme introduced in 2005-06 for a five year period, i.e. upto 2009-10.IITs have reported that the Block Grant fixed in 2005-06 is now proving inadequate due to rising costs, increase in salary and pension benefits and enrolment, etc.

(c): Revision of the Block Grant is under consideration.